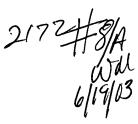


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Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2003. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows.